

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 889

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dr. Jaime Virata
Mangubat of Waynesboro.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Jaime Virata Mangubat; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mangubat was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jaime Mangubat served with acumen and alacrity as a physician and surgeon, in which positions he earned the respect of his peers and patients alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Jaime Mangubat was born on April 13, 1927, in Manila, Philippines, one of seven children born to the late Tomas and Matilde Mangubat; and

WHEREAS, after earning his medical degree from the University of Santo Thomas Medical School in 1952, Dr. Mangubat completed an internship at Deacones Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, and a residency in General Practice at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mangubat then completed his surgical residency at Nashville General Hospital and St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville, rendering sterling service as the chief resident of surgery in his final year; and

WHEREAS, in 1959, Dr. Mangubat returned, with his wife, to the Philippines, where he served as a surgeon in a private practice. He held this position until 1963, when he returned stateside with his family and accepted the position of medical director of Grafton State Hospital in Grafton, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, it was in 1967 that Dr. Mangubat returned to Middle Tennessee, moving to Waynesboro, where he was the sole physician in the county and the only surgeon in three counties, roles he filled with acumen and alacrity for more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jaime Mangubat practiced medicine in Waynesboro for forty-five years, during which time he delivered more than six hundred babies, successfully performed thousands of surgeries at Wayne County Hospital, Lewis County Hospital, and Perry County Memorial Hospital, and won the respect, admiration, and appreciation of thousands of patients; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mangubat served as the Chief of Staff at Wayne Medical Center for many years; and

WHEREAS, he will be remembered for his caring manner; he was always willing to lend his help to patients after hours, he often called his patients at home to see how they were feeling, and he volunteered countless hours of medical service to the local schools; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mangubat spearheaded a successful campaign to form a company of concerned citizens, which then leased the local hospital in an effort to keep the hospital in service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jaime Mangubat committed his time and energies to a number of organizations, including the Lions Club and the Medical Societies, and he was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation in recognition of his contributions to his community and to society; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of the St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, of which he was a founding member; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mangubat was also deeply devoted to his family, and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Martha Ann Thompson Mangubat, and was the proud father and father-in-law of Jim and Babs Mangubat, Karen and Dan Serafini, Rick Mangubat, and Diane and Allen LeBlanc; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by four siblings, Tomas Mangubat, Belen Mangubat, Corazon Mangubat, and Edith Mangubat; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mangubat will be sorely missed by his grandchildren, James Chadwick Moore, William Matthew Todd, Moulton LeBlanc, Candis LeBlanc, Ashlyn Staggs, Austin McDonald, and Luke Mangubat; his great-grandchildren, Jonah Moore and Jaime Moore; and his sisters, Nellie Mangubat and Lilly Mangubat; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jaime Mangubat leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Dr. Jaime Virata Mangubat, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Dr. Mangubat.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.